## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF ARKANSAS NORTHERN DIVISION

MINNESOTA LIFE INSURANCE CO.

**PLAINTIFF** 

v.

No. 1:13-cv-112-DPM

ANNA SAUSEDA; MARIA RODRIGUEZ; and JACKSON FUNERAL HOMES, INC.

**DEFENDANTS** 

#### **ORDER**

Minnesota Life deposited a total of \$37,853.13 with the Clerk. The policy proceeds had earned some interest. See attached letters.

So Ordered.

D.P. Marshall Jr.

United States District Judge

14 July 2014

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July 10, 2014

#### VIA HAND DELIVERY

Honorable D. Price Marshall, Jr. United States District Judge Richard Sheppard Arnold US Courthouse 600 West Capitol Avenue, Room B155 Little Rock, AR 72201-3325

Re: Minnesota Life Insurance Company v. Anna Sauseda, Maria Rodriguez, and

Jackson Funeral Homes, Inc.

United States District Court, Eastern District of Arkansas, Northern Division

Case No. 1:13cv112 DPM

Our File: 26480

## Dear Judge Marshall:

I am writing to advise the Court that we have received and are forwarding to the Clerk's office two checks for payment pursuant to the Court's recent Order in connection with the above-captioned interpleader. So that the Court is aware, the final checks that were issued were in the amount of \$30,282.50 and \$7,570.63. According to my math, the total on the two checks is \$37,853.13. I realize that the Court's original Order directed us to make payment in the amount of \$37,500. However, under the terms of the policy, some interest was owed in addition to the principal balance on the life insurance policy due to the period of time that elapsed between the claim being made and the ultimate Order of the Court directing payment to the Clerk's office.

I realize that, as a matter of housekeeping, the Court may want to enter a supplemental order reflecting the exact amount of payment since it was in excess of that calculated in the Court's original Order. It is only for this reason that I was writing Your Honor to let you know that the checks had been received and forwarded to the Clerk's office. I apologize for taking up the Court's time with this issue but simply wanted to make sure that the Clerk did not end up with a surplus at the conclusion of this case.

As always, the Court's many courtesies are truly appreciated. By copy of this correspondence, I am advising counsel for all parties of my communication with the Court.

Case 1:13-cv-00112-DPM Document 18 Filed 07/14/14 Page 3 of 9 Honorable D. Price Marshall, Jr.

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Best regards,

Shane Strabala

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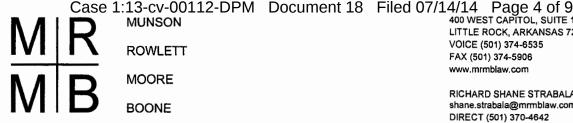
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United States District Court, Eastern District of Arkansas, Northern Division

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Dear Mr. McCormack:

Please find enclosed a recent Order entered by Judge Marshall in the above captioned case. Pursuant to the terms of the Order, I enclose two checks from my client Minnesota Life Insurance Company made payable to your office. While it was originally anticipated that the checks would total \$37,500.00, there are actually some additional funds owed due to accumulated interest on the proceeds of two life insurance policies at issue in this case. I have written Judge Marshall to advise of the additional amount being paid into the registry of the Court and am enclosing a copy of my letter to the Judge with this correspondence. I anticipate that, within the near future, the Judge will most likely enter an amended order dealing with the extra amount.

We want to thank you and the Court for all your time and consideration. Should you have any questions whatsoever, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thanks.

Best regards,

Shane Strabala

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Enclosures

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#### **ORDER**

The Court confirms its jurisdiction, 28 U.S.C. § 1335, notes the parties' agreed Order, and approves the proposal. The Court will enter it today. Minnesota Life should deposit \$37,500.00 with the Clerk now. The Court directs the Clerk to disburse \$6,948.86 of the stake to Jackson Funeral Homes, Inc., c/o Mr. McLarty. After the funeral home files a receipt, the Court will dismiss it and Minnesota Life with prejudice. The Court will also realign the parties—Sauseda will be plaintiff, and Rodriguez will be defendant—so they can litigate their dispute over the remaining proceeds. If Sauseda and Rodriguez want an early referral to a magistrate judge for a settlement conference, they should request one. The Court regrets its tardiness in handling these issues.

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So Ordered.

D.P. Marshall Jr.

United States District Judge

25 June 2014

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- \* Please note that this payment includes interest at the rate of 1.000% per annum from the date immediately following the date of death through the date of settlement.
- \* If you have any questions regarding this A&M Systems life insurance payment, please contact our Austin branch office at 1-877-443-5854.
- \* This payment represents basic insurance.

Check No. 19687484 FOR CLAIM INFORMATION CALL TOLL FREE: 1 888 658-0193

Warrant No. GN9777

To Cash Detach Check Here www.minnesotalife.com/benefits
Please keep this stub for your records

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East Grand Forks, Minnesota 56721 24 Hour Banking 1-800-673-3555 Claim No. 1013943 Policy-No. 0033769 Warrant No. GN9777

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Date of Check 07/07/2014

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PAY TO THE ORDER OF:

US DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF AR

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Policyholder A&M System		<b>Policy / Unit Number</b> 0033777/001			
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\$\*\*30,282.50 **AMOUNT** 

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